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LETTER DATED 13 APRIL 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BULGARIA ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT TRANSMITTING THE TEXT OF THE DECLARATION OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA ON THE ADOPTION ON 11 APRIL 1995 OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 984 ON SECURITY ASSURANCES

I have the honour to forward to you the attached Declaration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria on the adoption of United Nations Security Council Resolution 984 on Security Assurances on 11 April 1995.

I would be most grateful if, in accordance with established procedure, this Declaration could be issued as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament and circulated to all delegations participating in the work of the Conference.

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DECLARATION OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA ON THE ADOPTION OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 984 ON SECURITY ASSURANCES

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria welcomes the adoption by the United Nations Security Council on 11 April 1995 of Resolution 984 and the respective statements made by each of the nuclear weapon States on the security assurances of non-nuclear-weapon States.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs notes with appreciation the willingness of the five permanent members of the Security Council in case of aggression with nuclear weapons or the threat of such aggression against a non-nuclear-weapon State party to the NPT, to bring the matter to the Security Council and to provide or support immediate assistance, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, to any non-nuclear-weapon State party to the NPT, that is a victim, or an object of a threat of such aggression. This is a collective response to the aspirations of the States that have forsworn the nuclear weapons under this Treaty, to receive security assurances by the Security Council and its nuclear-weapon State permanent members.

Resolution 984 is a new step of progress on this important issue and an appropriate point of departure for negotiating a future legally binding international instrument on the provision of security assurances to non-nuclear-weapon States.

12 April 1995